

Japs Score Gains in Java

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor
ALEX. H. WASHBURN

Infection Versus Reflection

Radio listeners don't judge a man by what he says, quips a paragrapher, but by how he says it. And perhaps that is one of the keys to the world's troubles today.

Many More U. S. Soldiers Arrive in North Ireland

Land With Clockwork Precision in Full Field Equipment

LONDON — (AP) — Several hundred U. S. troops arrived in London Wednesday.

WITH U. S. TROOPS IN NORTH-IRISH IRELAND — (AP) — Thousands more cheering husky U. S. fighting men have arrived in Northern Ireland port to augment the force that has been in Ulster for more than a month, it was announced Wednesday.

Details of the landing of a fleet of transports and supply ships were withheld until soldiers, guns and other fighting equipment had been scattered to secluded spots throughout six North Ireland counties and the ships had left port.

Compared with the ceremonial landing of the first contingent of the latest arrival of U. S. troops was a routine job, carried out with clockwork precision.

Like the first contingent most of the latest arrivals are mid-westerners who have been in training in southern army camps for more than a year but represent every part of the country.

They came in full field equipment and with their guns ready.

The white-haired troop commander was a colonel from the Middle West, a veteran of artillery campaigning in the First World War and for five years a commander with units with the Rainbow Division.

Opportunity for Farm Insurance

Cotton Producers Advised to Fill Out AAA Form

In times like these no farmer can afford to overlook the opportunity for a sure and stable income such as is offered by cotton crop insurance, Earl N. Mortindale, chairman of the Hempstead county AAA committee, declared Tuesday in a statement urging all cotton producers who have not done so to take out insurance on their 1942 crop.

"Next year one dollar out of every two dollars in our national income will go into our fifty-six billion dollar victory armament program," he pointed out, "and taxes are bound to rise, times are bound to get tighter. If we are going to win this war we must all chip in every nickel we can, do our part in every way we can, and manage our affairs the best we can. No farmer can afford a crop failure. No farmer can afford to miss a chance to put his farm on a basis."

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Pittman Speaks to Prescott Rotarians

FRESCOTT—The Rotary Club met Tuesday at noon at the Broadway Hotel. Daniel Pittman gave an interesting talk on the history of the hardware business.

Cranium Crackers

Anzac Facts

Now that invasion threatens our allies down under, Australia and New Zealand, as never before, prepare to defend your knowledge of those dominions.

1. Where does the term "Anzac" come from, and whom does it designate?
2. Who is the first United States minister to New Zealand?
3. Is Australia approximately the same size geographically as Argentina, the United States, Libya or Sweden?
4. Who is Richard Casey and what English statesman does he resemble in appearance?
5. Is Wellington the capital of Australia or New Zealand?

Answers on Comic Page

A.P.L. to Build Electric Plant Using 'Sour Gas'

3-Million-Dollar Generating Station Announced for Stamps

STAMPS, Ark. — (AP) — The Arkansas Power & Light Co. announced Wednesday it would build a \$3,000,000 generating plant here which will use "sour" natural gas as fuel.

"Sour" or high-sulfur-content gas abounds hereabouts, and large amounts of it are wasted daily because there is no market for it in its natural state. "Sweetening" facilities will be installed to make it usable under the plant's boilers.

The announcement said the plant would have a 30,000-kilowatt capacity and would be built so that three other units could be erected, making "a generating station with a total of 120,000 kilowatts of capacity—one of the largest power plants in the south."

A spokesman said the state utilities commission had approved the project some time ago in authorizing the company's six-year expansion plan.

Priorities have been applied for, the spokesman added. However, Washington has not indicated what action it would take on this. The announcement said the company "is ready to begin construction immediately."

The plant will be either two miles south or two miles east of Stamps, depending on water supply and foundation conditions. Test wells are being drilled now and test piling will be driven shortly to ascertain the foundation qualifications, the statement said.

To supply enough steam, more than 1,250,000 gallons of water or about two-thirds as much as Pine Bluff uses, will be required daily.

The building will be of brick, about 80 feet wide, 150 long and 60 high. The company said it had options on both sites and an agreement with the Carter Oil Co. "for a maximum of 10,000,000 cubic feet of gas daily."

"Construction of this plant is the second step in a \$10,000,000 development program announced by the company last April," the announcement said.

600 Killed in RAF Raid on Occupied Paris

Many Houses Destroyed; Factory Suburb Regions Hard Hit

LONDON — (AP) — A Paris broadcast here said that at least 1,500 people were killed and several hundred injured in Tuesday night's raid on Paris.

Whole streets were destroyed and complete districts were razed.

VICHY — (AP) — The death toll of an RAF raid on industrial suburbs of Paris Tuesday night mounted steadily Wednesday as rescue workers dug through ruins and shortly afterward was placed semi-officially at 600 with more bodies constantly being recovered.

Earlier a communique announced at least 442 persons were killed with more than 1,000 injured and between 200 and 250 houses destroyed.

Many of the wounded died on operating tables in a hurriedly improvised hospital where all available physicians were mobilized.

One report said of about 1,000 wounded in the Boulogne-Sur-Seine and the Billancourt suburbs some 300 were feared to be dying.

Along with bombs the RAF dropped leaflets addressed to the Paris population saying they had come to bomb factories manufacturing arms for "our common enemies" and would return now that they knew where to strike.

Daylight disclosed wreckage of a large number of buildings.

Admiral Jean Darlan, vice-premier of the Vichy government who was in Paris, visited the blasted areas during the morning. Dispatches from Paris said he assigned two of his principal aides to spend the night touring the hospitals.

These reports said the factory regions were the hardest hit.

At least 12 towns in the suburban belt around Paris were blasted during the two-hour attack.

Marshal Petain was kept informed of the attack even while successive waves of British planes were bombing. He declared victims funeral day would be declared a day of national mourning.

A statement issued by Petain's office declared:

Plastic Story Told in Film

Will Be Shown at High School at 1 p. m. Friday

H. W. Blalock, special consultant of the Rural Electrification Administration, Department of Agriculture, will show an educational movie entitled "The Magic of Modern Plastics" at the high school auditorium Friday, March 6, beginning at 1 p. m.

The purpose of this meeting is to show the opportunities of Arkansas in assisting the government in its war effort through the development of synthetic rubber and other plastic products.

In addition, Mr. Blalock will give a short talk, pointing out the vast opportunities Arkansas has for participating in an industrial program that will not only help win the war, but also form the nucleus about which permanent industries can develop.

Everyone interested in the development of Southwest Arkansas is invited to attend this meeting at the high school auditorium, March 6, at 1 p. m.

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Oil and Gas Filings

Hempstead County

March 4, 1942
Prepared by Jewelle Bartlett

Warranty Deed. Dated 2-16-42. Filed 3-3-42. Isabelle Boyce, et al to A. N. Stroud. Pt. NW 1/4 Sec. 28 T. 11 S. R. 25 W. 2.01 acres.

O. & G. Lease. Dated 2-9-42. Filed 3-4-42. A. D. Middlebrooks, et al to Fred E. Guthrie. W 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 32 T. 14 S. R. 25 W. 80 acres (10 years).

Royalty Deed. Dated 2-28-42. Filed 3-4-42. John W. Ridgill, et ux to J. B. Zick. (20-3128 int.) Pt. SE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 22 T. 13 S. R. 24 W. 39.1 acres. (20 royalty acres).

Royalty Deed. Dated 2-28-42. Filed 3-4-42. John W. Ridgill, et ux to J. B. Zick. (1-16 int.) E 1/2 SW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 23 T. 13 S. R. 24 W. 120 acres.

Quitclaim Deed. Dated 1-5-42. Filed 3-4-42. Agnes Ann Allen, et al to Annie E. Allen. E 1/2 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 NW 1/4 Sec. 12 (less one acre)—all in T. 12 S. R. 25 W. 159 acres.

Nevada County

March 3, 1942
Prepared by Helen Hesterly

O. & G. Lease, defil 3-3-42. Ann Benton et al to Walter Keith, Frl. SE NW. Sec. 11. Twp. 13. Rge. 21.

O. & G. Lease, defil 3-2-42. T. R. Biddingsley et ux to Hunt Oil Company, N.W. Sec. 34. Twp. 14. Rge. 23.

O. & G. Lease, defil 3-3-42. Annie Benton to Walter Keith, Sec. 11. Twp. 13. Rge. 21.

Royalty Deed, filed 3-3-42. A. H. Boswell to J. D. Boswell, S.W. Sec. 7. Twp. 14. Rge. 22.

Royalty Deed, filed 3-3-42. Budd Smith to A. H. Boswell, S.W. Sec. 7. Twp. 14. Rge. 22.

Royalty Deed, filed 3-3-42. A. H. Boswell et ux to J. W. May, S.W. Sec. 17. Twp. 14. Rge. 22.

Royalty Deed, filed 3-3-42. Mrs. Fannett C. Deaton et al to F. F. Meadows. NE NW. Sec. 19 NW. NW. NW. Sec. 19. Twp. 14. Rge. 22.

China Plays Big Role in Far East War

CHINA FRONT

The China front takes a new important part with the drive on Rangoon threatening the Burma road, life-line to Chungking, Chinese capital. British, Indian and Allied forces are reported to be holding out against Japanese on the Sittoung river front, only a few miles from Rangoon.

Council Studies Fire Insurance

Favors Purchase of a 750 Gallon Pumper

The Hope city council Tuesday night discussed and partially approved a plan whereby property owners might save as much as 12 per cent on fire insurance premiums.

The group studied a program submitted by the Arkansas Fire Prevention Bureau which suggested improvements in city's facilities and called for the purchase of a 750 gallon pumper truck for the local Fire Department.

The purchase of the pumper was referred to the board of public affairs with the council's recommendation.

A report from the fire department showed that during the month of February all firemen were present at every fire. The council commended this 100 per cent showing.

Van Hayes and Clay Hairston asked the council to grant a permit to operate a liquor store in the Hotel Barlow. No action was taken.

The McDuffie, Stewart Company of Little Rock was again employed to audit the city and water and light plant books at the end of the fiscal year, ending March 31.

A report from the Police department for the month of February showed 145 arrests, 113 convictions. Fines assessed amounted to \$1,479.

Argentina Votes Against Axis

Election Goes Against Castillo Administration

BOENOS AIRES — (AP) — Deputy Raul Damonte Taborda, head of the so-called Argentine congressional "Dissident Committee" and outspoken opponent of acting President Castillo's foreign policy of maintaining diplomatic relations with the Axis powers, appeared certain of re-election to the chamber Tuesday night.

In early tabulations of last Sunday's balloting for chamber seats, Damonte Taborda topped the list of his fellow Radical party candidates who, with the Socialists, were running well ahead of Castillo's Conservative party candidates.

The last congress adjourned angrily without passing an appropriations measure and without acting on a proposed loan from the United States after Castillo took no action on the chamber's disclosures of Axis activities in Argentina and the demand that German Ambassador Baron Edmund von Thurnham be held persona non grata—sent back to Berlin.

Damonte Taborda was the ring-leader of the disclosing forces in congress and visited the United States after the adjournment last fall.

Young Business Men to Meet

A. E. Stonequist Calls Meeting at 8 p. m. Thursday

A meeting of the Young Business Men's association for 8 o'clock Thursday night at the Star office was called Wednesday by A. E. Stonequist, associate president.

Mr. Stonequist urged that the membership attend promptly as important matters of policy must be decided on at this meeting.

Italians Claim Subs Sink Ships Near U. S.

ROME — (AP) — The Italian command said Wednesday that Italian submarines operating off the United States coast sunk merchantships totaling 25,204 tons.

3 More Gifts to Road Fund

Kroger, Rephan Elmore Make Donations

Contributions continue to come in to the \$1,500 fund to build a road from Patmos to the Hempstead county line. Kroger Gro. & Baking company and Rephan's Department store each sent in a check this week for \$25, and the Bob Elmore Auto Supply brought a contribution of \$5 to the Chamber of Commerce office, although they had never been solicited.

The fund now stands at \$1,555 and there are still some who will give that have not reported.

County Judge Fred Luck says he will need more than \$1,500 to build a good road and the Chamber of Commerce will be glad to report any additional contributions.

There are 1,843,656 old age pensioners in England, of which number 1,080,535 women.

Scorch Earth Policy Carried Out on Island

Situation Very Critical; British Forces Hold Firm in Burma

By the Associated Press

Japanese invasion hordes scored new gains against outnumbered American, British and Dutch troops in the critical 4-day-old battle of Java Wednesday and the danger now is so acute that NEI headquarters announced a major scorched-earth defense policy already had been carried out.

Tokyo radio said Japanese mechanized units Wednesday reached a point west of the naval base at Soerabaja and there clashed with Allied forces "trying desperately to halt the Japanese onslaught."

Other enemy columns were striking toward the capital city of Batavia where demolition squads already had begun to blast the 320-year-old town and toward the Allied headquarters city of Bandoeng.

Once again the tragic story of Allied numerical inferiority—in planes, ships and men—emerged from the struggle from this last United Nations stronghold in the Indies.

Only 50,000 Allied Troops

The Dutch government in London said only about 50,000 Allied troops, among them a few thousand American and British, were fighting at least 85,000 Japanese and that the United Nations naval forces had suffered "a crippling blow" in attempting to halt the Japanese invasion fleet.

Previous reports said the Dutch, an army of 100,000 to 200,000 troops, reinforced by many thousands of American, British and Australian soldiers to combat the seaborne attack.

A bulletin from NEI headquarters conceded that the invaders had succeeded in making some headway at some points by numerical superiority "especially in the air."

The extent of the Japanese gains were not specified.

While there still appeared to be no radical change in the situation all signs were ominous.

"The principal destruction in Java has now been carried out" the Dutch announced.

Naval Strength Reduced

Highly reliable Dutch sources in London said Japanese submarine victories reduced the Dutch naval strength so that the Allies were not able to take counter offensive measures in the Far Pacific theater.

The Dutch command gave this terse summary:

"It can only be said Wednesday that our troops are fighting with stubborn resistance and in offensive spirit. "In all places where the enemy attempts to advance they are strongly engaged by our troops who try to prevent his advance."

By contrast a British dispatch late Tuesday said Allied troops had launched a counter offensive and the Japanese were reported thrown back 7 miles in one sector.

Against the somber background of the Java conflict reports from Burma front said Allied aerial attacks slowed down the Japanese drive toward Rangoon and the "enemy is held virtually at a standstill."

In the battle for Java the Dutch reported that in heavy aerial counter blows against the Japanese four enemy bombers and a fighter plane were shot down and damage inflicted on hangars at a Japanese airbase.

A German broadcast by exchange telegraph to British news agency, declared one Japanese spearhead advanced to within about 20 miles of Batavia and that the fight for the capital was in full swing.

MacArthur's Forces Sink 2 Jap Ships

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Two enemy ships and several smaller vessels were destroyed in a sudden surprise attack by General Douglas MacArthur's small airforces on Japanese installations and shipping in Subic Bay, north of Bataan, the War Department announced Wednesday.

A bi-monthly magazine is one published once every two months.

Cotton

By the Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS	Close
March	18.46
May	18.62
July	18.75
October	19.98
December	19.00
January	19.01
March	19.02

NEW YORK

March	18.39
May	18.56
July	18.67
October	18.76
December	18.78
January	18.80

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Brakeman Loses Arm in Beirne Accident

PRESCOTT—H. A. Ellis of Little Rock, brakeman for Missouri Pacific on freight train No. 29, fell from the back of an engine Monday, and lost an arm. The accident occurred in Beirne.

2 County 4-H Clubs Meet

Guernsey, Washington Groups Hold Sessions

Fifty-two members of Guernsey 4-H Club met Monday March 2 and made plans for a concentration of effort in the production of these food products essential for successful prosecution of the war. After reports were given on the progress made in the "Food-for-Victory" campaign the boys and girls were divided for special assistance in solving food production problems confronting the 4-H Club members.

Barney W. Chambers, Assistant County Agent, explained the possibilities of 4-H Club members adding peanuts to the list of cash crops. Mr. Chambers emphasized the importance of peanuts in a well balanced 4-H Club program from the standpoint of making a real contribution in winning the war and at the same time producing a crop having excellent possibilities as a source of additional cash and food.

Miss Mary Claude Fletcher, Home Demonstration Agent, assisted the girls in working out a well balanced diet. Miss Fletcher stressed the need for more year around gardens in supplying the high quality vegetables so essential in a well balanced diet.

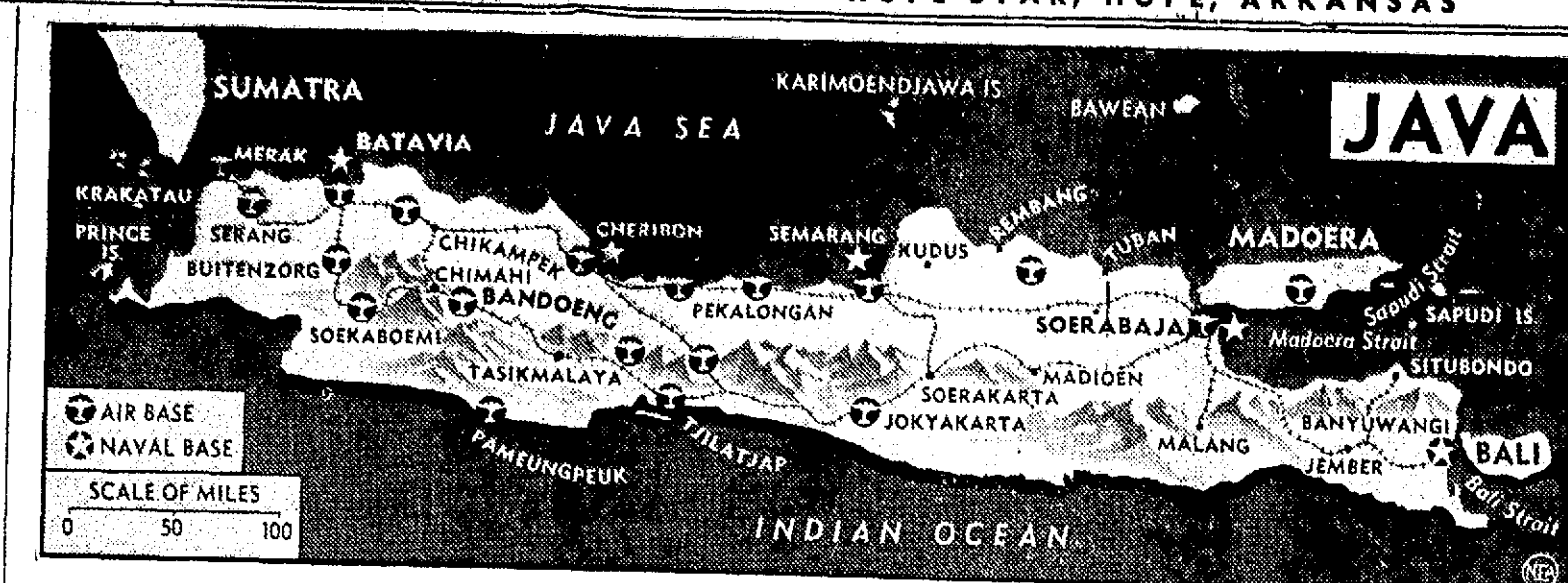
Washington 4-H Club met Monday, March 3 and outlined a farm program designed to put every acre of land, every hour of labor, and every bit of farm machinery, fertilizer and other supplies to the use which will best serve the nation's war time needs in the "Food-for-Victory" Campaign. Realizing that adequate farm production is vital to the Nation's existence, and that the task of achieving it commands the energy and devotion of every farm family the 58 4-H Club members pledged their wholehearted support in carrying to successful conclusion the intensive food production program being sponsored by the Agricultural Extension Service.

Jimmy Boyett, president of the 4-H Club, emphasized the need for a greatly expanded food program including the production of larger amounts of high quality legume hays and silage. The 4-H Club leader expressed confidence that milk production could be doubled by use of improved feeding practices.

Barney W. Chambers, Assistant County Agent, put on a demonstration showing the mineral requirements for livestock. Mr. Chambers brought out that many of the livestock diseases can be directly traced to rations deficient in the essential minerals.

Miss Mary Claude Fletcher, Home Demonstration Agent, held a demonstration on preparing and serving a balanced diet. Miss Fletcher stressed the need for more year around gardens in supplying the high quality vegetables so essential in a well balanced diet.

An average of more than one person a week is killed on railway grade crossings in Great Britain in normal times.



This is Java, last of the Indies islands, a 622-mile finger knuckled with volcanic mountains, rich in rice and tea, coffee and quinine, oil and gold. Tightly packed between the hills and the shores of this island no bigger than North Carolina, its 47,000,000 natives and 250,000 whites have steeled themselves to meet the invader.

Prescott News

By HELEN HESTERLY Telephone 163

Society

Mrs. Wat White Sr. is the guest of her son, Mr. Fred White and Mrs. White in Little Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard B. Bishop of Summit, New Jersey arrived Tuesday. They are here for the wedding of their son, Captain Howard B. Bishop Jr. and Miss Mary Ann Martin, which will be solemnized Friday at 5:00 at the First Baptist Church, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Bishop of Philadelphia, Penn., and Miss Ann Bishop to Boston, Mass., brother and sister of Captain Bishop, will arrive Thursday, by plane, for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jackson of Ardmore were Tuesday visitors in Prescott.

Mrs. Archie Johnson, Mrs. Carl Doherty and Mrs. Al Buchanan spent Tuesday in Little Rock, where they saw the play, "Arsenic and Old Lace."

Gus Woodul Jr. of Memphis is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Woodul.

T. M. Mashburn of De Queen has accepted a position as manager of Owens Department Store.

Mrs. Hasin Firmin and little daughter, Suzanne, are the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Pyc.

Calendar

Thursday
The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. Hunter Scott at 2:30.

Schedule of Home Clubs

Planned Program Announced by Home Agent

The following schedule of the Hempstead county home demonstration clubs was announced by Miss Claude Fletcher, home agent:

All home demonstration clubs will meet at 2 p. m. war time. Home garden leaders are in charge of the March program.

Friday, March 6—Food and nutrition demonstration (cooking school) for food and nutrition leaders from Mt. Nebo, Patmos, Sardis No. 1, and Hinton Home Demonstration clubs and for Patmos 4-H club group and home economics group to be held at Patmos school vocational home economics Department. 3 p. m.

Monday, March 9—Piney Grove 4-H club meeting. Sardis home demonstration club meeting. Hinton home demonstration club meeting. Patmos home demonstration club meeting.

Tuesday, March 10—Liberty Hill, Evening Shade and Spring Hill will have a joint meeting. Food and nutrition demonstration at 10 a. m.

Tuesday, March 10—Battlefield, Holly Springs and Spring Hill at 2 p. m. will have a joint meeting in Holly Springs community at Mrs. J. S. McDowell. Food and Nutrition Demonstration.

Wednesday, March 11—McCaskill, Friendship and Avery's Chapel will have joint meeting at the home of Mrs. Claude Britt's McCaskill neighborhood. Food and nutrition.

Wednesday, March 11—Avery's Chapel Home Demonstration club, Belton home demonstration club, Mrs. Odis Bradford, Doyle home demonstration club, Mrs. Bernie Walston.

Thursday, March 12—Crank's School House home demonstration club, Mt. Nebo home demonstration club. Lead-

Frank B. Robison Is at Goodfellow Field

GOODFELLOW FIELD, San Angelo, Texas—Having completed the first step of his training as a pilot in the fighting Army Air Corps, Aviation Cadet Frank Bryant Robison of Route 4, Hope, Ark., has arrived at this basic flying school to begin the intermediate phase of his flight instruction.

From Goodfellow, Cadet Robison will go on to an advanced school to specialize in pursuit, bombardment, or observation flying, and win the coveted wings and bars of a flying lieutenant in the Army Air Corps.

Cadet Robison is the son of Mr. Garland B. Robison, of Route 4, Hope, Ark. He received his primary flight training at Cimarron Field, Oklahoma City, Okla.

600 Killed in

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was learned.

Since the U. S. State Department has borne the brunt of representing the Allied cause at Vichy this was regarded as highly significant.

It was argued here that the attack on objectives so near Paris would not have been ordered unless the Allies were ready to risk a German propaganda campaign seeking to turn the French against the Allies with stories of destruction in the working class districts and to historic landmarks.

The sugar content of maple sap varies with the season—from 8 to 40 gallons being required for one gallon of syrup.

Volunteers for Nurses Needed

Ages 18 to 50, With High School Education

Dr. J. G. Martindale, local Chief of Emergency Service and First Aid Chairman of the Red Cross, issues the following statement in order to further acquaint the public with this phase of the defense program:

"To relieve the shortage of nursing service in civilian hospitals the American Red Cross and the Medical Division of the Office of Civilian Defense have combined to organize the Volunteer Nurse's Aid Corps. This is perhaps the biggest and most useful role of women in Civilian Defense.

"If a local disaster comes, the nurse's aide would be in the front line of action, as one or more nurse's aides will be in each squad of the medical emergency units, in accordance with the plan laid down by the Medical Division of the Office of Civilian Defense.

"Although the volunteer cannot replace the nurse, there are many tasks she may safely perform, after taking this defense course and under the supervision of a nurse. She may help with equipment and supplies, give baths and shampoos, prepare patients for meals, make beds, feed helpless ones, arrange flowers, help patients to and from X-ray or other treatment rooms. These are only a few of the many things she may do and thus relieve the nurse for those tasks that require professional training.

"The nurse's aide may be anywhere from 18 to 50 years old, must have a high school education, must be physically able, mentally flexible, and willing to sacrifice leisure. She must agree to give at least 150 hours of service each year to maintain her membership in the corps. During the first year the 150 hours must be spent in a hospital.

The volunteer aide may be called in time of disaster to an emergency hospital or a casualty station. She may have to work long hours, with inconvenience and discomfort.

"Those who meet these qualifications and wish to volunteer for this contribution to the great plan of Civilian Defense, are urged to go at once to the Civilian Defense Office and make application, for the class is now being formed."

Broadway Takes Patriotic Note

Sees Red, White, Blue in Night Spots of New York

BY TOM WOLF
NEA Service Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK—The night spots in this show world capital will be glad to help you forget the Axis and any other troubles.

But they aren't letting any one forget Uncle Sam.

Each impresario has brought his show up to war-date in a different way, the only common denominator of these patriotic efforts being the singing of the Star Spangled Banner, which is universal. But even in this the techniques are as different as the stars (where the national anthem is sung with the greatest simplicity from Leon and Eddie's (where, in a drunken mood, a spotlight picks out Old Glory flying in an artificial breeze during the singing.)

As a general rule, the more out-of-towners in the club's clientele, the more fervent the patriotic note. The ice show at the Hotel New Yorker, playing largely to transients, goes all-out in its military motif. The grand finale finds the skaters dressed as an aviator, a Red Cross nurse, a drum major and even Uncle Sam.

"Swing Out to Victory"

At the other end of the scale of subtlety are such strongholds of the sophisticated as Cafe Society, where the dusky songstress Hazel Scott weaves the clipped notes of Army bugle calls into her swing version of Liszt's classic "second Hungarian Rhapsody."

In between these two extremes come the majority of the shows, combining the subtle with the obvious. At Copacabana, cafe society's current glitter spot, the show builds up to a "Swing Out to Victory" finale, but costumes are restrained—a vivid white jersey dress, contrasted by long gloves, one red, one blue.

Building up to a patriotic finale is a great favorite, especially for bands. Some use medleys of war songs—old and new. Others have special numbers, like Vaughn Monroe's "Follow the President" morale-buster.

Stage Door Canteen

Ranking high for originality is the prior-besse number at La Martinique,

where the chorus modestly (and, of course, practically) sheds a variety of nonessential clothing when national defense calls for silks and satins. The Martinique show builds up to a unique finale, in which the chorus girls room through the audience selling defense stamps. They do about \$2500-a-week.

Selling defense stamps, or offering them as change, it is common and popular practice. Highest single sale reported to date was at El Morocco, where one customer peeled off enough bills to purchase a \$500 bond.

But the show world's efforts aren't solely directed toward civilians. Starting early next month the American Theater Wing is opening a Stage Door Canteen for service men. Through the cooperation of every organization in stage, screen and radio, the Canteen will offer men in uniform refreshments, dancing and entertainment—free—every night from 5 to midnight.

Broadway has signed for the duration.

The Bureau of Aeronautics, warned the committee that the loss officially, "attrition" of aircraft would be high, perhaps 10 per cent a year.

"Attrition" means chiefly, if course, loss in battles. It also means loss by accident and just plain wearing out.

In connection with expenditures for ammunition, Rear Admiral W. H. P. Blandy, Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance, said to the committee:

"Our ammunition expenditure estimates, of course, are not based upon our own war experience, because we haven't had enough yet. They have been checked, however, with British war experience and allowances made for the type and number of enemy ships and planes we will have to fight, compared with their opponents to date. I might mention that one of the reasons we are putting it high is that we must distribute this ammunition as bases and in ships all over the world and we have contemplated a certain percentage of loss in shipment, through sinking of cargo ships."

Admiral Blandy said this involved the major part of \$6,000,000,000. The Federal fiscal year ends June 30 next. Taking only half of the above sum—\$3,000,000,000—means that the cost of ammunition expended or blown up will average per month, \$600,000,000 for the remaining five months of the fiscal year. This means about \$20,000,000 per day, \$333,333 per hour, or \$13,888 every minute night and day.

Income Tax Aids Ammunition Bill

American Armed Force Spend \$231 Worth a Second

By NEA Service

In every single second of the war from now on until June 30, the United States Navy estimates it will expend \$231 in ammunition, or just about what ten small income taxpayers will hand over to Uncle Sam this year.

For one year's active war operations, the United States Navy counts that the losses of airplanes may be as high as 100 per cent.

This is not guess work. It is part of the evidence before the subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Appropriations when it was considering the latest bill for the enlargement of the navy.

The bill itself, carrying appropriations for \$26,494,260,474, is the largest of its kind in the world's history. It equals the entire cost of the last world war to the United States. It is an indication of the kind of fighting the navy expects to do all over the world. The contemplated expenditure of ammunition and attrition of airplanes, shows that the navy expects to do a tremendous lot of offensive warfare.

The bill contained, in addition to previous amounts for naval aircraft, the sums of \$4,176,086,000 for more aircraft, which is supposed to bring production of naval aircraft this year up to 18,000.

Rear Admiral J. H. Towers, Chief of

Bowen Hits Enemy Aliens

Chamber Secretary Addresses Kiwanis Club

Striking out against alien enemies, saboteurs, management who demand exorbitant prices to manufacture war materials, and labor who strike for higher wages and so called better working conditions on defense projects, R. P. Bowen, Secretary of the Hope Chamber of Commerce, said Tuesday that to win this war was the most important thing in the world.

Speaking to the Hope Kiwanis Club in their monthly luncheon at Hotel Henry on "Eye Sores," Mr. Bowen pointed out that eye sores in America are more than a few unsightly tin cans, uncut weeds or dilapidated buildings.

"The greatest eye sore in America are these alien enemies, saboteurs, manufacturers who demand an exorbitant price to produce war material, labor who strikes for higher wages or better working conditions on defense projects, those who spread false rumors, criticize the conduct of the war, harrass those in command with foolish demands, predict defeat, dodge tax payment or in any way hamper the effort to win the war," the speaker said.

Showing that ignorance is an eye sore in Arkansas, Mr. Bowen said more money is spent for crime or even to become in Arkansas than for education. He called for the public to arise and eradicate ignorance in this state by demanding higher paid teachers and better equipment for the schools.

Pointing out that "eye sores" may be generally classified under three heads—Mental, Moral, and Physical," the speaker went on to say:

"The mental eye sore is ignorance. The moral eye sore is not necessarily unkept gardens, uncut weeds or things offensive to the eye, but those houses which lead in questionable practices or promote habits that are injurious to health and the moral code is based upon the teachings of the Christian Religion, Nations which have turned their backs upon this teaching are today wallowing in the filth of moral degeneracy and

London Makes Merry at Night

Pubs, Food Clubs, Gaming Houses Flourishing

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LONDON—Blitz-free London on a blacked-out winter night takes its fun where it finds it.

As surprised by the absence of air raids as a small boy who expected another whipping and got a bag of candy instead, the British capital is caught up in a nocturnal swirl of gambling, vice, two-timin, spying, pleasure and tragedy.

When darkness comes, Whitehall, Fleet Street and the City of London are deserted except for passing taxis, buses, a few scurrying pedestrians and grim-visaged guards who stand in the shadows of the Admiralty, War Office and Air Ministry.

There's still life, though, up along Piccadilly. If it is Saturday night, a few thousand soldiers and airmen, and their girls will move along in a sweeping stream, keeping always to the sidewalks, because pedestrian accidents in the street still remain high.

Into Lyons Corner House, or a pub, these wander before catching the last movie at one of eight or ten most popular theaters. Maybe they've already been to the cinema, and then they join the stream but break away quickly and step down into Bessie's Universelle, which is noisy, smoke-filled and crowded, but the beer and food is inexpensive and there is a loud, brassy band dressed in South American costumes.

Burlesque Gets a Big Play

The Windmill Theater remains crowded until after eight, filled with soldiers without girls who watch a Lonnie version of a Minsky burlesque and then crowd around the stage door until the chorines fill up at this hour. Their bars are packed and lobbies swart with people. At the Dorchester and Savoy, interesting it is that the phonies and bar flies who scattered from London when the bombs showered down are now back. Gamblers, chiselers, war-dodgers, they're to be found mixed in with the genuine who are relaxing for a brief evening. Spies, too, probably.

Crowded also are several hundred small, deserted "black-market" food clubs which the police try to close. Anybody can become a member if they know a person who is a member. There is usually a bar down one side, a radio, phonograph or piano player, a coal fireplace and a dining room to the rear where members can get plenty of steaks, chops, eggs and cheese. Listed as clubs, they cannot be closed unless they make the mistake of selling a non-member liquor.

Flaunting Games Shift Nightly

Chemin De Fer Club is another type of club which is mushrooming. This high-powered gambling game is legal if played only one night a week in a private residence. So the subterfuge being employed by gambling maestros, who earlier in the evening were probably drinking at the Dorchester or Savoy before going on to business, is to rent half a dozen West End homes and have their clientele play from Monday

through Saturday at different addresses.

When the big hotels and restaurants close at midnight, night club habitués and service men on leave move on to the Coconut Grove, the 400, Le Suive, the Nut House and the Embassy to dance until four in the morning.

But this is the gay, cynical face of nighttime London. Shy, simple, stolid, important London is the umbrella-carrying men from government and private offices who stream into the subway trains, homeward-bound . . . and down along the Thames, the men who pilot the barges that bring coal to the great plants which supply light and heat to this world's largest city . . . and in the hundreds of first aid posts and ambulance stations and firefighting depots, the civilian men and women who continue to show up each homeless night for duty, alert and ready.

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